[Mr. S. Parameswara Aiyar.]

Land Records Maintenance Work.

76. MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the names of the *pakuthies* in which L. R. M. work has been completed and the records handed over to the respective Tahsildars;

(*b*) the dates on which such transfers were effected;

(*c*) whether L. R. M. work does not embrace the maintenance of up-to-date and correct records of private holdings also, besides Government lands, and, if so, whether proportionate attention is being paid to that branch of the work, and, if not, why?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) A list * of the *pakuthies* in which the field work connected with the survey of *porambokes* has been completed is laid on the table. The records for none of the *pakuthies* have been handed over to the Tahsildars as their checking in the Land Records office is not yet over.

(*c*) The scope of the Land Records Maintenance work has been restricted for the present to *porambokes*. In regard to Land Records Maintenance in respect of private lands, it is proposed to issue a set of rules for the verification of the boundaries of private holdings and for the subdivision of such holdings on the application of parties. The draft rules have been published in the *Government Gazette* dated 16th December 1924 for criticism and suggestions.

Kudivila for Royal Trees.

77. MR. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR (*Chengannur cum Pattanamtitta*): (1) Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have framed any rules laying down that only royal trees cut and removed from lands registered before a particular period will be paid *kudivila*; and

(*b*) if so, the period fixed at present for the registry of lands for the claim of *kudivila*?

(2) Do the Government know that the High Court have decided that royal trees cut and removed from lands registered after 1082 should be paid *kudivila*?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (1) (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

(*b*) In view of the answer to part (*a*), this does not arise.

(2) Government are not aware of any decision of the High Court that royal trees cut and removed from lands registered after 1082 should be paid *kudivila* irrespective of the conditions of registry.

* *Vide* Appendix II—page 659.

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